

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title:	The Economics of the Illicit Agricultural and Wildlife Trade		
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB)	ERR		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Influential Scientific Information	
Agency:	Economic Research Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
	USDA		
Agency Contact:	Elise Golan, egolan@ers.usda.gov		
Subject of Review:	Certain agricultural and wildlife goods are restricted from importation because they may carry risks to the sustainable use of resources or may carry pathogens or diseases. Despite these prohibitions, contraband is regularly uncovered during inspections of cargo containers and interdicted in domestic markets. Very little is known about the size and scope this trade specifically, although a growing literature finds that that smuggling responds to economic factors in enforcement, detection, and price disparity. Based on inspection and interdiction data obtained from the USDA and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and previous investigations of illicit trade, this study examines illicit trade in agricultural and wildlife goods.		
Purpose of Review:	The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.		
Type of Review:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Panel Review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Reviewers
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):	
Timing of Review (Est.):	Start:	04/29/08	End: XX/XX/XX Completed: XX/XX/XX
Number of Reviewers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 or fewer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 to 10 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 10
Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review:	Economists		
Reviewers selected by:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Designated Outside Organization
	Organization's Name:		
Opportunities for Public Comment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:		
	How:		
	When:		
Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No